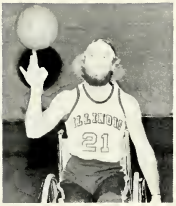

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Again this year it is my privilege to extend warm good wishes to the members of Delta Sigma Omicron on behalf of the Urbana-Champaign Campus of the University of Illinois.

On this campus we are privileged to have many distinguished organizations. One of the very finest of all these organizations is Delta Sigma Omicron. The record of accomplishments presented in this and preceding editions of SIGMA SIGNS bears testimony to the spirit of Delta Sigma Omicron and to the power of its motto: "To exercise our abilities to a maximum so as to minimize our disabilities that we may live most and serve best."

In saluting the active and alumni members of Delta Sigma Omicron, I also salute with pride the Rehabilitation-Education Center. The dedicated staff of that Center, under the able and tireless leadership of Professor Timothy J. Nugent, have served our students well for many years and have kept us in the forefront of new developments in the field of Rehabilitation. For all the efforts of these many people, the Campus is indeed grateful.

J.W. Peltason
Chancellor
University of Illinois
at Urbana-Champaign

March 14, 1975

EDITOR'S NOTE

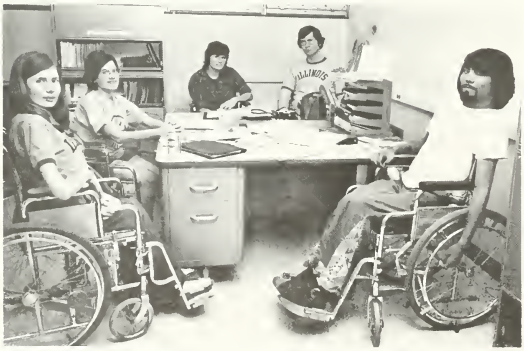
The idea for this year's theme came up in a staff brainstorming session at the beginning of the school year. Someone suggested a view of the Rehabilitation Center from the outside. Better yet, someone else proposed, how about an outside view of the whole University, maybe from the eyes of a new student.

Immediately the brains began to work and ideas for stories and pictures started to come out. Suddenly we remembered the one catch to this plan of attack — none of us were freshmen! Even though we all thought that we could remember way back when, we considered that maybe our readers would question the accuracy of a freshman's views coming from the pens of upperclassmen. Therefore, in order to be fair and impartial we asked one of our newest students to keep a journal of his experiences in his first year at the "Big U." So, without further ado, I would like you to meet the author of most of this year's SIGMA SIGNS, Will Chair:

Will went to the first DSO meeting and promptly paid his dues. He also joined the football team and the basketball team. In fact, he did whatever he was told to do in those first couple of weeks. However, as every student finds out sooner or later, our hero eventually learned not to be quite so willing to please.

However, I refuse to let my "senior cynicism" disillusion you before you read what Will has to say. And so, let's allow him to speak for himself.....

P.S. Will decided that the best way to fulfill our request would be to save all of his letters. I tried to be an editor rather than a censor, but college life is not always rated "G"!



"I didn't want this job, but when I saw this picture, I knew the staff needed some help," said Will. From left to right: Sue Aldag, Assistant and Alumni Editor; Marilyn Rogers, Advertising Manager; Joan Costello, Editor-In-Chief; Dwight Johnson, Photo Editor; and Wes Queypo, Artist.

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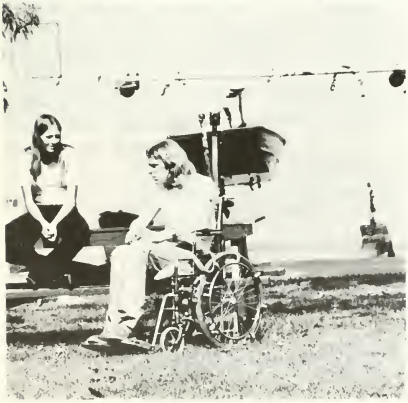

Springfield Picnic

August

Dear Mom and Dad,

Well, here I am in college, at long last! Remember how everyone told me I would be so homesick? Well, to tell you the truth, I haven't even had time to think about being homesick, beyond missing your good cooking, Mom! That first week of functional training was just what they said it would be: Hell Week, and this past week wasn't much better. All that running around at registration, and then trying to find out where my classes were—I was really ready to spend that first weekend in bed!

But, bright and early Sunday morning I boarded a bus bound for Lake Springfield and a picnic sponsored by the Disabled American Veterans. It turned out that two buses, the Greyhound and a campus bus, were needed to haul all of us starved, action-hungry students. We pulled in around noon, just in time to eat, and we ate, and ate, and ate! It's a good thing that the rest of the afternoon was spent working off the pounds we had just added.

We were on our own to entertain ourselves, so a variety of activities popped up: swimming, football, baseball, boating (in motorboats or pontoons), drinking, or just talking. Then, toward evening, a drum and bugle corps arrived and really impressed us with their fine marching and playing. Food came next, and it seemed like an instant replay from the noon meal. And it disappeared like it was, too!

We headed home around 7:30, a little more sunburned and a little fatter than when we had arrived. The President of the DAV had told us at the start of our day, "I hope you all have one hell of a good time!" We did, and we still were on the ride home, until suddenly we remembered: classes the next day!

Love,
Will

DSO Awards Banquet

October

Dear Mom and Dad,

Hi! I hope you are all over the flu now. I must say, I felt kind of sick myself last Saturday when the Fighting Illini missed that final field goal that would have broken the tie with Michigan State!

But that night really made up for it. You should've seen all of us "grubby college kids" in our formal wear, as we settled down for the DSO Awards Banquet. (Each person had to wear a name tag so he could be recognized without his blue jeans!) The meal was a far cry from dorm food (Thank goodness!) but, even so, we were anxious to get on with the program. And what a program it was!

After waiting patiently for the guests to finish their meal, Larry Labiak, DSO President, introduced his fellow officers who had done such an excellent job in preparing for the evening. Then out popped Mr. Nicholas, master of ceremonies, to give a musical rendition of "My Chair Lady." Bob Trotter, my next-door-neighbor in the dorm, then sang "Summertime." (We got a sneak preview - Bob sings in the shower!) Two alums, Don Heitler and Sid Rosenbloom, accompanied them on the piano.

All this humor and talent was followed by a serious moment, as the father of one of the students brought a few tears to the eyes of many proud parents. You would have loved that part! He talked of his daughter's achievements at the University which were accomplished with the help of the staff at the Rehabilitation Center. Dave Yest, Vice-President of DSO, "told all" about students' after-hour escapades. You would have loved that part, too, but what you don't know won't hurt ME!

Finally the awards were given, and the evening's festivities ended with a skit written and acted by some of the students. It was called **You Were There—The First Rehab In America,** and it was a take-off on the discovery of America. They had everybody laughing from the moment when Columbus rolled off the deck of the ship until God gave a souped up version of Creation!

We all went our separate ways afterwards — some went to the free reception sponsored by Everest and Jennings. But I decided that I would rather spend money and play the pinball machines downstairs in the Union! Oh well, you know my weaknesses! Can't wait to see you at Thanksgiving.

Love,
Will

Harold Scharper Awards

THE HAROLD SCHARPER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Harold Scharper Achievement Award is presented each year to the graduating senior or recent alumnus who has exhibited the greatest achievements; academically, physically, socially, in extracurricular functions and in professional endeavor during his schooling at the University of Illinois or immediately upon the completion of his schooling. It is the highest recognition that the University of Illinois and Delta Sigma Omicron, Incorporated can bestow upon one of its physically disabled students. It is indeed an honor to the recipients and a great example to the many students who will follow in the years to come.

ROBERT CLEARY

Bob received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Education in June of 1972 with high honors and an overall grade-point average of 4.69 (5.00 = A). He was injured in a diving accident on July, 1956, shortly after graduation from high school, resulting in complete quadriplegia at the fifth cervical level.

Before his accident, he had aspired to attend the University of Illinois as an able-bodied student to study architecture. After hospital convalescence, Bob returned home to begin University of Illinois correspondence study. While engaged in this study he did farm accounting, wrote a weekly book review column for a Peoria newspaper, wrote educational materials for a new series of text books, and corrected themes for the English Department of his high school. He enrolled on campus in the fall of 1970, taking residence at TanBrier, completing the remaining hours for his Bachelor of Science Degree in Education, including practice teaching, in four semesters and one summer session. During that time he underwent two major surgeries and was hospitalized a third time for a broken shoulder.

He holds membership in Phi Delta Kappa (National Educational Honor Fraternity) and Kappa Delta Pi (National Honorary Society in Education).

In September 1972, Bob began his teaching career at Bergan High School in Peoria, Illinois. After one year as a full-time staff member in the English Department, he was made Chairman of the Department. Concurrent with his teaching, Bob completed a Master of Science Degree in English at Bradley University in September of 1974. He is Co-Chairman of the Bergan School Communication Committee which is comprised of school board members, faculty, administrators, and parents for the purpose of dealing with educational issues and problems. He was also the organizer and the first president of the Peoria Council for the Disabled, concerned with the education of the Peoria community as regards to attitudinal and architectural barriers. In his rare moments of free time, Bob has done volunteer teaching for the Council of Christian Doctrine, counsels neighborhood children, and does hospital visitations.

REBECCA MATHENY

Becky received a Bachelor of Science Degree with High Honors in Home Economics with a major in foods and nutrition from the University of Illinois College of Liberal Arts and Sciences in June of 1973. Her overall grade-point average was 5.0 (5.00 = A). She was elected to Phi Beta Kappa (National Academic Honorary) and Omicron Nu (Home Economics Honor Society). She won the Borden Award for undergraduate scholastic achievement as a student in Home Economics, and in her senior year, Becky was selected one of the Top 100 Seniors of the University of Illinois for her achievement in academics and activities.

In May of 1973, Miss Matheny received a special citation and a $500.00 cash award from Recording for the Blind, Inc., as one of the four highest ranking college seniors in the nation. This annual achievement award was presented at the White House, based on scholastic records and extracurricular achievements. While a student at the University of Illinois, Miss Matheny participated in the Judo Club; Newman Club; was a cheerleader for the University of Illinois Gizz Kids; and was an active member of Omicron Nu.

She also assisted faculty and staff of the Rehabilitation-Education Center in developing and teaching a special homemaking skills class for visually impaired students.

During the summers of 1971 and 1972, Becky did volunteer work at the Illinois Visually Handicapped Institute in Chicago. She was primarily involved with the adult, young adult, and college bound visually impaired persons, teaching cooking and homemaking skills. During the second summer she also helped teach college preparatory skills to the blind. Her own interest and initiative often led to the development of new teaching techniques and to individual work with students in the evenings and weekends. In the spring of 1974, Miss Matheny worked with the State of Illinois Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Instructional Materials Center, in preparing a manual of "how-to" techniques for daily living activities to be used by public school teachers of the visually impaired. The manual includes personal management, cooking, grooming, gardening, and even caring for pets.

Since the fall of 1973, Becky has been a full-time graduate student at the University of Michigan, enrolled in the School of Public Health. She will graduate in May of 1975 with a joint Masters Degree in Public Health, Nutrition and Maternal and Child Health. During the summer of 1974, Becky returned to the University of Illinois as part of a special project to work with the Department of Health Education in developing a grant for federal funding to develop community health services. Becky hopes to work in the field of prenatal and infant nutrition with maternal and infant care projects after graduation. Optic neuritis was the cause of Becky's blindness at the age of 14.

THE HAROLD SCHARPER SERVICE AWARD

The Harold Scharper Service Award is given each year to a student of any class, who has contributed the greatest service in the development of furtherance of the purposes and practices for which the University's Program was established and to which Harold Scharper dedicated his life. The establishment of the Service Award was to supplement our Achievement Award since Harold Scharper expressed "the effort of our program will only be as good as the unselfish service rendered to it by its participants."

EDWARD SCHERER

Ed received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Illinois College of Liberal Arts and Sciences with a major in Psychology in May of 1974. He had a 3.73 overall grade point average (5.00 = A) and was one of the most persistent and diligent workers in Delta Sigma Omicron. He never sought a particular office or title but was very responsible and never failed to complete a job, exhibiting considerable initiative and ingenuity.

Being Circulation Editor of SIGMA SIGNS in 1970, Ed stepped in as Editor-In-Chief when the 1971-72 SIGMA SIGNS failed to get off the ground and the 1972-73 issue seemed destined for the same fate. In a very short time he pulled the remnants of the '72 and '73 issues together, having to begin many of the tasks from scratch. He was then selected Editor-In-Chief of the 1973-74 SIGMA SIGNS. This issue was completed and published at the earliest date in the past 10 years, possibly more. During this year, Ed went through all previous issues and files putting together a very thorough handbook on all aspects of SIGMA SIGNS, which is used as a valuable guide for those who follow.

He also served, without pay, as an official host and guide of visitors to the campus and the Rehabilitation-Education Center and his efforts were lauded by professionals from many states and countries. Ed served as Chairman of the Committee on Architectural Barriers. During this time it was a very active committee, having surveyed all curbs on campus and having initiated action to cut curbs at various points that had evolved as major traffic ways for students in wheelchairs and those with ambulatory problems, including those at Florida Avenue Residence Halls and Pennsylvania

Avenue Residence Halls. He also developed a permanent but demountable and portable map of the campus which, by color code, denotes the accessibility of buildings, curb cuts, bus loading areas, and other essential information.

Ed is currently pursuing graduate study at Waldorf Institute at Adelphi University in his home state of New York. He is a traumatic quadriplegic at the sixth cervical level as a result of a diving accident incurred in July of 1969.

T. J. NUGENT AWARD

Four years ago a special award was set up to honor Professor Timothy J. Nugent, founder and Director of the Rehabilitation-Education Center. This award was to be presented annually to recognize the invaluable service given by a student to both the Program and to his/her fellow students. The decision as to the recipient is based on the following attributes: personal integrity, human dignity, intellectual endeavor, pride in self and concern for others. This year, the Executive Board of DSO and the Awards Committee have chosen to honor two such people: Nan O'Connor and Joan Costello. Both so amply fulfill these criteria that they could not decide between them. Both have furthered the ideals and goals of the Program so effectively that their enthusiasm and spirits have planted the seed of emulation in us all. Both have maximized their own potential, physically and socially, to its fullest.

As to their qualifications, the list is endless, but a few of their major ones are listed below:

NAN O'CONNOR served as a Gizz Kid cheerleader her first two years here. She also actively participated in and was a great asset to the Ms. Kids, the womans-wheelchair basketball team. She has been a regular writer for both the SPOKESMAN and SIGMA SIGNS since her freshman year. More importantly, Nan has devoted countless time and energy into DSO to fulfill its ideals. She served as Vice-President for one year and as President for a year and a half. She often headed various committees and was in charge of the successful 1973 banquet.

JOAN COSTELLO has a long list of accomplishments behind her. She, like Nan, has had a very active role in Delta Sigma Omicron. She has served as both Alumni Secretary and Vice-President, and on numerous committees, including last year's Awards Committee and this year's Entertainment Committee. Joan has been active with the Ms. Kids as well, both as a player and as a statistician. Ms. Costello, majoring in Journalism, has also lent her talents in that area. She has contributed many articles to both the SPOKESMAN and SIGMA SIGNS, and was SPOKESMAN editor from 1972-73. Presently she is editor of SIGMA SIGNS and President of DSO.

Surprise visitor Mary Wolfe presents award to Nan (left) and Joan (right).

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1974 Wheelchair Games

Forget the ping pong and let's have a stare-down.

November

Dear Mom and Dad,

This letter has got to be one of those "quickies" because I've got that big Chemistry hourly tomorrow.

Today, I got my SPOKESMAN, the newsletter put out by DSO. You know how much I love sports, so this article on the 1974 National Wheelchair Games caught my eye.

> "In the spring of '74, fifteen Gizz Kids took time out from studying for finals to practice for the National Wheelchair Games. Competition was to be in swimming, table tennis, javelin, shotput, discus, archery, weightlifting and wheelchair racing. But first qualifying standards had to be met at regional meets. These meets gave the Gizz Kids a chance to compete in sports (many for the first time in their lives), meet people and make some new friends.
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> On June 15, 16, and 17, the National Wheelchair Games were held in Cheney, Washington. Through the help of Mr. Nugent and other benefactors, the twelve Gizz Kids who qualified were able to fly to Washington. Good competition, gorgeous sunny weather, old and new friends and a day at the World's Fair in Spokane contributed to the good time enjoyed by all. Based on their performances in archery, Ronda July, Susan Hagel, and Mary Wolfe were named to the U.S. Wheelchair Team which competes internationally in England and Scotland each July. Although Jack Whitman and Bob Szyman also were named to the U.S. coaching staff, only Ronda, Sue and Jack were able to make the trip.
>
> All three left July 17 for a week in the Stoke-Mandeville Games. Ronda won the Novice Archery competition with a fantastic showing by beating all the girls plus all the men by over thirty points. Susan also won her round, the Advanced Metric Archery competition by beating the men in addition to all the women. She also received another gold medal for shooting the best bullseye in her competition. Susan later paired up with Rick Tauber from Denver, Colorado to take a second in the Dartchery competition."

One of these days I may go too, Dad, so move over your bowling trophies!

Love,
Will

P.S. I know this will sound like the typical college student request, but send some MONEY! I'm out of toothpaste and other "medicinal" things!

Christmas Party

December

Dear Aunt Rita:

Season's greetings! I'm sorry I missed our family Christmas party, but I had already made plans for that Sunday. (And they weren't plans for studying, either!) Remember me mentioning DSO, the group I belong to down at school? Well, when we met in October we decided to give a Christmas Party for the handicapped children of the community, and the date we set was December 15.

The guests, grade-school children from Champaign-Urbana, helped us decorate the big tree in the lobby of the Center with paper chains and strings of popcorn and cranberries. But someone was missing and everyone could sense the expectation behind the jokes. Then the person next to me started a chorus of "Here Comes Santa Claus" and a merry "Ho! Ho! Ho!" boomed out from around the corner.

Out rolled jolly ol' Santa Claus (alias Bob Trotter, my next-door-neighbor in the dorm) to an enthusiastic crowd. The party was adjourned to another room where he pulled gift after gift out of his bulging toy sack. The kids tore into their presents and soon there was wrapping paper all over the floor.

Two more of my friends, Sue Hagel at the piano and Gary Smukal playing guitar, led the singing of Christmas carols, and the cookies we had baked were devoured quickly. Before it was time to go, one curious child asked Santa why he was in a wheelchair.

"Well," he answered without hesitation, "you know my lead reindeer, Rudolph? He couldn't come tonight, and without his red nose to guide us, we had to crash-land on the roof and I broke both my legs."

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Merry Christmas,
Will

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January 8

Dear Mom and Dad,

All of us basketball players and cheerleaders finally left Champaign January 6 at 12:01 a.m. for our 8-day exhibition tour of Colorado. Our two bus drivers, Martin and Buford, just kept on truckin' and we reached Denver much earlier than expected. You might wonder what we did to keep ourselves amused on the 22-hour trip. Besides having an "In Concert" with Bob Szyman and Duane Seipel on the guitar and celebrity singer Bob Trotter, I learned how to play euchre — and I won!

We took a brief but scenic tour of Denver the next day, stopping for some culture at the museum. We lost our first game to the Denver Cowboys, so we quickly left town and went west to Englewood. We made up for our loss by defeating the Craig Crushers twice and we put on an exhibition of squaredancing, archery, and jousting at the Craig Rehabilitation Center. Tomorrow we get to see the Colorado Mint and get the inside info on how to make money. Tonight, the Gizz Kids and company are having a joint farewell party with some of the Craig folks.

See ya,
Will

January 12

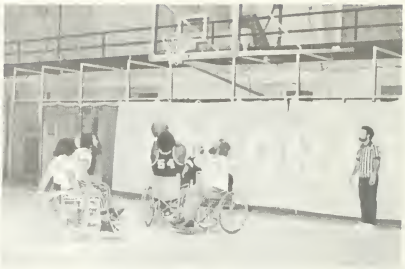
Hi Folks,

After we left Craig, we headed back to Denver and spent the afternoon at Cinderella City riding up and down the escalators (Really!). That night we lost to the Cowboys again and left Denver with a 2-2 record. Greeley was our last stop, where we stayed at the home of Kathy Pelczar, a former graduate assistant at the University of Illinois.

She arranged for us to give several exhibitions. One was at the Denver Shopping Mall and one at the Greeley Rehabilitation Center, so we were pretty busy for the next two days. After dinner that night at Kathy's farm, we had a game with the University of Northern Colorado Fleetwheels in which we chalked up another Gizz Kid win. Later, Kathy and her team had us back for pizza and beer. (Just like down at school!)

The next day we put on our long undies and headed for the Rockies; for many of us, it was the first time we had ever seen mountains, and there didn't seem to be enough film and flashcubes to get all the pictures we wanted. Going around and around and up and up, we looked down and down. It was just fantastic! After that leisurely afternoon, we finally ended up at Shakey's Pizza Parlor and had a great time.

Love,
Will



Goodbye to Colorado . . .

or should we say Cow-arado??

January 14

Hi,

Since I had one stamp left, I though I'd write one more time. We spent yesterday exploring the University of Northern Colorado campus and getting our last minute post cards. We played the Fleetwheels again, winning our last game of tour. Unfortunately, Larry Labiak, Gizz Kidd team captain, broke his nose helping us to end with a 4-2 record. Loading quickly and eagerly we set off for home. We've been on the bus now for 20 hours and I'm not looking forward to our next trip, just 10 hours away — Registration!

Love,
Will

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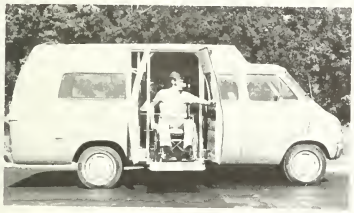

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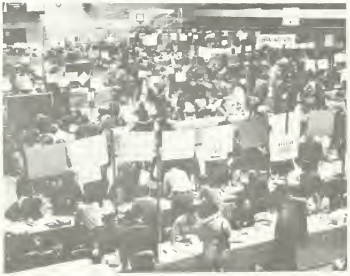

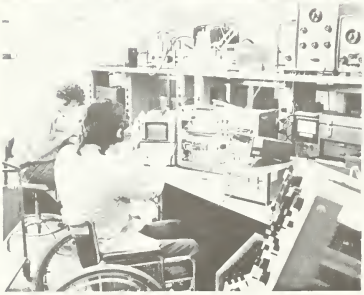

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GOLDS	3	1	0	125	52	31.2	13.0
BLUES	2	2	0	89	139	22.2	34.7
WHITES	1	3	0	67	90	16.7	22.5

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Bob Trotter

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Dane Shank

WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

Conference Games

SIU	47	Gizz Kids	35
Bi-State	48	Gizz Kids	41
St. Louis	50	Gizz Kids	34
Champaign-Urbana	46	Gizz Kids	43
Champaign-Urbana	49	Gizz Kids	47
Springfield	51	Gizz Kids	38
St. Louis	41	Gizz Kids	22
Bi-State	40	Gizz Kids	36
Springfield	42	Gizz Kids	28
SIU	43	Gizz Kids	13

Non-Conference Games

Colorado	53	Gizz Kids	19
Gizz Kids	38	Craig	23
Gizz Kids	63	Craig	18
Colorado	69	Gizz Kids	21
Gizz Kids	36	UNC Fleet Wheels	29
Gizz Kids	56	UNC Fleet Wheels	29
Kankakee	58	Gizz Kids	39
Gizz Kids	37	U. of Wisconsin*	12
Gizz Kids	63	U. of Wisconsin*	25
Gizz Kids	54	Rockford	30
Gizz Kids	62	Milwaukee	20

* University of Wisconsin at Whitewater

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Dane Shank

MOST IMPROVED PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Jeff Zimmerman

Valentine's Day Party

February

Dear Mom and Dad,

Last Tuesday, all of us crazy midweek party-goers (What! again? you say) boarded good 'ole 692 driven by Martin and went to the Americana Nursing Home in Urbana. There, a busload of loyal and devoted DSO and Illisota (Illinois Students Occupational Therapy Association) members held a Cupid Day Party for the folks at Americana.

Shortly after our arrival, accompanied by Sue Hagel on the piano, the residents joined us in singing some oldtime favorites, such as "Swanee River," "Sidewalks of New York," "She'll Be Comin' 'Round the Mountain" and other oldies but goodies. Following songtime, coffee and cookies were enjoyed by all, and while refreshments were being served, the students had a chance to "mingle" with the nursing home residents.

After our party there, many of us moseyed on over to Treno's for beer. As we were leaving, we had a nice surprise as we looked out of the window. A beautiful (?) white blanket of trouble and struggle was waiting for us on the streets and sidewalks of the campus. We struggled through the snow and once again came home to books staring us in the face.

And that's why you couldn't reach me by phone Tuesday night. (But don't ask me why you couldn't get me Wednesday or Thursday!)

Love,
Will

But, mom, there's only Coke in these glasses!

Ms. Kids

April

Dear Pete:

Boy, some friend you are! I ask you for advice about my girlfriend, and all you say in return is "Who are the Ms. Kids?" Well, for your enlightenment, I've enclosed the following story about the women's wheelchair basketball team, but I refuse to fix you up with any of them! You may be my best friend, but...

"The 1974-75 University of Illinois Ms. Kids basketball season was one of frustration as well as several strides forward. With the loss of four veteran team members, this season was one of rebuilding and learning under the leadership of Coach Bob Szyman and Captain Charlotte Keller. During practice sessions, each indivdual girl learned not only basic basketball skills, but also the fundamental knowledge needed to play the game.

Several incidents of bad luck plagued this year's squad including the cancellation of weekend trips to Carbondale, Illinois (Southern Illinois University) and to Minneapolis, Minnesota due to illness and a transportation breakdown. Things weren't all bad, however. The Altrusa Club of Champaign-Urbana sponsored a bazaar to help raise the necessary money to purchase new uniforms for the Ms. Kids.

In spite of some of the unfortunate incidents, this year has been the most successful season in the short 5-year history of the team. There has been a significant increase in the number of games played. This year's schedule included games with other women's wheelchair teams from Southern Illinois University and the University of Wisconsin at Whitewater as well as invitations to Minneapolis and a tournament in Detroit. Also, some members of the Ms. Kids played during the 1975 Gizz Kid tour in Colorado.

At the 1975 Gizz Kid-Black Knight Banquet, held on April 9, Sue Hagel was elected captain of the 1975-76 Ms. Kid team. She and Ronda July were chosen most valuable players and Hua Mei Wei was chosen most improved player of the 1974-75 season. Charlotte Keller was honored as retiring Captain.

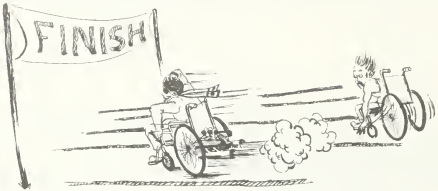
With the anticipated loss of only one girl from this year's team and upcoming prospects from new students, the 1975-76 Ms. Kids look forward to an exciting and successful season."

So, now that you know who they are, I repeat my question: What's a guy supposed to do when his girl is a better basketball player than he is? I figure that since you were the Romeo of 12th grade, you might have some suggestions. Please!

Your buddy,
Will

May I please have the next dance?

Preparing for 1975 Nationals



April

Dear Folks,

Boy, it seems like it's been more than a week since I was home for Easter! The professors around here sure don't believe in letting you take it easy! We just got over midterm exams, and already they're getting us ready for finals.

The National Wheelchair Games are being held on our campus in June. Advertising work started months ago, and now it's full steam ahead in practicing for the various track and field events. I'm still not sure whether to be in the Games or not, but the coach talked me into working out today.

It was sunny and warm, so we went to the field across from the Center to throw the javelin, shotput and discus. Some of the guys "ran" sprints on the sidewalk behind us. Even the archers came outdoors to shoot, but in a field far away from us. (It's not that we don't trust them, but...!)

I really have too much schoolwork to do to spend my time throwing things around, but it sure is fun! However, I think my mind has been made up for me. Today, when I was aiming the precision javelin, my hand kind of slipped, and I almost speared the coach!

Oh well....what can I say? I'll see you on Mom's Day!

Love,
Will

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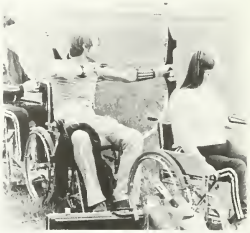

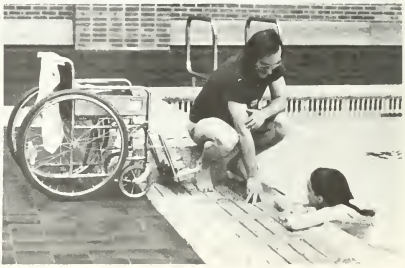

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WAYNE DAVIS, A.B. in Rhetoric, Cerebral Palsy
THOMAS ELKINS, A.B. in History, Visually Impaired
ROSEANN FABER, M.S.W. in Social Work, Cerebral Palsy-Visually Impaired
DENNIS GOLOB, B.S. in Chemistry, Post Polio
DOUGLAS KARLEN, J.D. in Law (Honors) Visually Impaired
RICHARD LEVIN, B.S. in Architecture Studies, Hemiplegic
RUSSELL LUECK, A.B. in Finance, Anomalies of Lumbosacral Joint
PENELOPE MAIN, B.S. in Psychology, Orthopedic
ROBERT MACGREGOR, B.S. in Accounting, Polio
STEVEN MARSHALL, A.B. in Finance, Visually Impaired
ELIZABETH MOORE, B.S. in Psychology, Orthopedic
LAURA OFTEDAHL, B.S. in Radio and TV, Visually Impaired
RUSSELL PALESE, B.S. in Finance, Cerebral Palsy
PARVIZ PARHAMI, B.S. in Electrical Engineering, (High Honors) Post Polio
EUGENE PLANTE, B.S. in Occupational and Practical Arts, Paraplegic
RANDALL RIMNAC, B.S. in Finance, Guillain-Barre Syndrome
JAMES ROWLAND, B.S. in Accounting, Paraplegic
SUSAN SCHAPIRO, A.B. in Russian (Highest Distinction in Russian) Paraplegic
EDWARD SCHERER, A.B. in Psychology, Quadriplegic
DAVID STANGER, B.S. in Finance, Post Polio
STEVEN UITTO, B.S. in Psychology, Post Polio
JERRY VOIGT, B.S. in Architecture Studies, Amputee
MARY WOLFE, B.S. in Teaching of Mathematics, Spina Bifida

August 1974

STEPHEN ANDERTON, A.M. in Classics, Paraplegic
BARBARA BAUER, A.B. in English, Cerebral Palsy
RAY BOEHMER, M.Ed. in Education, Orthopedic
RICHARD BOPP, M.S. in Library Science, Paraplegic
MICHAEL BURTON, M.Ed. in Education Psychology, Visually Impaired
MARK CHENAIL, B.F.A. in History of Art, Post Polio
DOROTHY RIMM, B.S. in Recreation and Park Administration, Cerebral Palsy
JOHN ROSS, M.S. in Recreation and Park Administration, Post Polio

October 1974

DARRYL SMITH, Ph.D. in Physics, Bilateral Amputee

January 1975

BARRY BARON, B.S. in Accounting, Bilateral Amputee
ALGER BLACK, B.S. in Communications, Post Polio
MAXINE FOLLSTAD, A.B. in Social Welfare, Visually Impaired
JAMES LAWYER, M.S.W. in Social Work, Visually Impaired
MARLENE MARTINDALE, M.S.W. in Social Work, Post Polio
JULIE LAHR MATHEW, M.S.W. in Social Work, Paraplegic
RICHARD MATHEW, B.S. in Social Welfare, Paraplegic
RICHARD NOLAN, M.S.W. in Social Work, Paraplegic
HARVEY SCHLY, M.S.W. in Social Work, Muscular Dystrophy
CLIFFORD TIELIS, B.S. in Math and Computer Science, Adverse Drug Reaction
ISMAIL SALLEH, M.S. in Economics, Visually Impaired

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Alumni Briefs

ACKLAND, Lloyd - Lloyd and his wife Carolyn have a one-year-old daughter, Lisa. Lloyd is a grain and livestock farmer in Compton, Illinois. **ALEXANDER,** Ronald - Ronald and his wife Peggy live in Deerfield, Illinois, where he is a project engineer for Underwriters Laboratories in Northbrook. **ALLEN,** Cynthia - Cynthia is a Counselor/Enabler for the Program for the Handicapped at Victor Valley College in Victorville, California. She is also working on her Ph.D. at her home in Hesperia. **ALLISON,** Margaret (Wallingford) - A graduate in the summer of '61, Margaret is involved in church activities and singing in her hometown of Cherryvale, Kansas. **ANDERSON,** Robert - Robert is an industrial educator and coordinator at Elk Grove High School in the Chicago suburb. He and his wife Pat get the most fun out of traveling. **AOKI,** James - James graduated from the University of Illinois in 1963 and is now an architect for the U.S. Veterans Administration in Washington, D.C. **ARCESE,** Joseph - Being husband to Gail, father to Jennifer, and Accountant for the State of Illinois, Department of Revenue should keep Joe busy enough, but he still finds time to harass the Gizz Kids by being a member of the Springfield Spokejockeys. **ARHELGER,** Robert - Enjoying music, travel, and his job as Corporations Counsel for the California Department of Corporations, Robert lives in San Mateo. **AXT,** Randolph - In Superior, Wisconsin, Randy can be found not only as a salesman for the New Times magazine and Washington Watch newsletter, but also as a part-time teacher for the Douglas County Citizens for the Retarded.

BATELAAN, Donna (Miller) - Loving the life and sun of Boynton Beach, Florida where she lives with husband Dave, Donna is a Rehabilitation Specialist at Palm Beach Rehabilitation Center North. She has just recently gotten her Masters. **BECCUE,** Shirley - Shirley loves working with children as the Director of the Belles and Beaux Nursery, and with the Girl Scouts in Gainesville, Florida. **BELLOWS,** Glen and Sylvia (Dean) - Glen, Vice President/Treasurer of Buchanan, Bellows & Associates, Ltd., Consulting Engineers, and Sylvia, homemaker and parttime student at Illinois State University, live in Normal, Illinois with children Kevin, Peter, and Alice. **BENOIT,** Judith - Judy has an exciting teaching appointment as Program Coordinator, Medical Record Technology at the University of Hawaii. The 1966 graduate also finds time to be a member of the Mayor's Committee on the Handicapped and President of the Hawaii Wheelchair Athletic Association. **BICKEL,** Thomas - Thomas, a '61 graduate at the University of Illinois, is now a practicing attorney in his hometown of Riverton, Wyoming. **BODDY,** Michael and Donna (Stapel) - Both '73 graduates, Mike is a Northern Illinois Territorial Sales Manager and Donna is an Administrative Division Employment Counselor. They are both involved with their new home in Galesburg, and their Alaskan Malamute puppy named Christy. **BOEN,** Jim - Jim is an associate professor of Biometry at the University of Minnesota and he participates in wheelchair sports and hunting. He lives in Hopkins with wife Dorothy and children Dean and Susan. **BOSTON,** William and Paula (Bratt) - Louisville, Kentucky is the home setting for Paula and Bill where he is Supervisor of the Continental Insurance Company and teacher of economics and insurance at the University of Louisville, and she is an elementary school teacher. **BRAINARD,** Mary - Using her Masters in English, Mary is a private tutor in her home in Tuscon, Arizona and enjoys writing satirical poetry. **BROOKS,** Marilyn - Marilyn "Kay" has a rewarding and fulfilling career as a secretary in the Rehabilitation Medicine Department at Mercy Hospital in Urbana, Illinois as well as secretary for a grant from the Department of Mental Health for the Developmentally Disabled. Just this past December, "Kay" has changed her name legally from Howard to Brooks. **BROWN,** Paul - A student at the University of Illinois from 1952 to 1955, Paul is now City Judge and Legal Counsel at Horseshoe Development Corporation in Horseshoe Bend, Arkansas. He has a son, Gary and enjoys travel, photography, and civic contributions. **BRYANT,** Daniel and Susannah (Smith) - Living in Wilmette, Illinois, Dan is Legal Counsel for the Kemper Insurance Company while Susannah is a law student at Loyola University. In her spare time, Invincible Susannah works for the elimination of barriers to the handicapped and to women.

CADDY, George - George, his wife Judy, and their son Eric live in Alexandria, Virginia. George is presently employed as Systems Accountant for the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D. C. He is also part-time teaching, and enjoys reading and writing. **CAMPBELL,** Joseph - Joe really enjoys his present job as a teaching assistant in the Special Education Department of the Percy Hughes School. At his home in Syracuse, New York, he enjoys music and reading. **CARLSON,** Sandra (Simmons) - Wife to Albert and mother to 3-year-old Jon, Sandra is a homemaker in Erie, Pennsylvania and enjoys cooking, reading and needlework. **CARLSON,** Sylvia (Herrstrom) - Sylvia is a Computer Programmer for the Population Dynamics Group at the University of Illinois and a parttime instructor at Parkland Junior College. She lives in Urbana with her husband, Robert. **CHAFEE,** Ella (Cox) - Ella has found that being an expectant mother, with one son already, is a full-time job. She and her husband, Ian live in Oak Lawn, Illinois where she participates in wheelchair sports. **CHAFEE,** Hope - Besides being Chief Scanner at Argonne National Laboratory, Hope enjoys wheelchair sports, horseback riding, and Siamese cats in Downers Grove, Illinois. **CHAPMAN,** Chuck - Chuck is the Managing Editor of Scientific Publications for the American Medical Association. He, his wife Kathy, and their 7 children live in Elk Grove Village, Illinois. **CHEATHAM,** James - Jim and his wife Roxanne, live in Santa Ana, California where he is Senior Production Planner at Beckinan Instruments. He enjoys fishing and wheelchair basketball. **CLARK,** Maureen - Working as Executive Director for United Cerebral Palsy, Kane and Kendall Counties, Maureen lives in Naperville, Illinois and enjoys sports, reading, cooking and knitting. **CLINE,** Nancy (Walsh) - Nancy and her husband Vance are anxiously awaiting the birth of their first child in June, but in the interim, Nancy works in the Admitting Office of the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago. **COLE,** Nancy (Cowles) - Nancy is a reading teacher at the Riverside School in Oneonta, New York where she and her husband John live. In her spare time she does some free-lance writing, mostly for the Boy Scouts. **CORNETT,** Joanna - In her hometown of Inyokern, California, Joanna really enjoys her job as Counselor at Desert Counseling Clinic as well as painting, sewing and camping. **COYNER,** Marilyn - Marilyn, Supervisor of Speech Therapy for the Rock Island Public Schools in Illinois, enjoys traveling, reading and playing bridge. **CRAIN,** Virginia - Ginny's home is in Houston, Texas where she gives English lessons and tutors in Cavaion. She enjoys painting, keeping in touch with friends, and traveling. **CUMPSTONE,** Robert - Receiving his Finance degree in 1970, Bob now lives in Hartford, Connecticut, and is Examiner for the Public Utilities Commission, State of Connecticut.

DANA, Kent - In 1974 Kent received his Masters in Statistics at the University of Illinois. He now works as a Programmer Analyst at the University of Texas Southwest Medical School in Dallas. **DANIELL,** Roscoe - Retired from Rehabilitation Counseling at age 65, Roscoe lives in Belpre, Ohio where his favorite pasttimes are his grandchildren, art and agriculture. **DAVIDOFF,** Susan - Susan is a teacher of the deaf at Montgomery County School System in Rockville, Maryland as well as working at Georgian Forest Elementary School in Silver Springs. Her interests include crewel and dance. **DAVISON,** Linda - Living in Essexville, Michigan, Linda is full-time Research Information Chemist at Dow Chemical Company. She received her degree at the University of Illinois in '66. **DEARAUJO,** Jerusa (Goncalves) - Jerusa and husband Luis live in Brazil. She did her postgraduate work in Library Science and is now Head Librarian at the Institute for Technological Research. She enjoys swimming and traveling. **DEACON,** Susan (Breniff) - A teacher's aide at an elementary school, Susan lives with her husband Glenn and son Deke in San Diego, California. She enjoys stitchery, camping, painting and remedial tutoring. **DEYO,** Frank - After racking up a B.S. and a J.D., Frank, who lives in Rock Island, Illinois, has become a self-employed attorney. He and wife Betty have one daughter, Diane. Frank's interests include handball and duplicate bridge. **DICKEY,** Lynn - After leaving the big U in '72, Lynn went on to Buffalo, Wyoming where she is Coordinator of the Powder River Basin Resource Council. In her spare time, she enjoys music, people, reading and philosophy. **DONAHOO,** Bill - Bill lives in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, where he is Consulting Psychometrist. He lists his interests as: penal reform, camping and swimming. **DUGAN,** Ron - A bachelor, Ron is a high school math teacher at Downers Grove Public Schools in Illinois, where he lives.

ECKHARDT, Linda - With her B.A. in German, Linda is now Book Selector for the Talking Book Library in Phoenix, Arizona. She lists sewing as her hobby. **EDMONDS,** Jon - Jon lives in Huntsville, Alabama, and is working on his degree via correspondence from the University of Illinois. His hobbies are pocket billiards, bridge, poetry and music. **EDWARDS,** Anne (Graver) - In Columbia, Missouri, Anne is geography, history and philosophy Librarian and working part-time on her second Master's degree in English at the University of Missouri. She is also working with a group pushing a city building code providing for accessibility. **ERNST,** Jeff - Currently a doctoral student at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Jeff also works in the clinic there. He lists his activities as school and research. **ERVIN,** Gary - Gary is extremely active in Union City, California where he is an accountant with California State University in Hayward, a part-time teacher in a local community college, and flying his new Cherokee airplane.

FARINA, Ann (Marois) - Married to Ciro and Ilving in Washington, D.C., Ann enjoyed a trip to Europe this past year. She is currently Loan Officer at the Export-Import Bank and enjoys needlepoint, reading and indoor gardening. **FAUST,** Carl - Carl has an exciting career as Vice President of the First National Bank of Chicago, as well as husband to Julia and father to Karen (10) and Stan (7) at their home in River Forest, Illinois. **FAY,** Fred - Fred is a Rehabilitation Counsultant and Psychologist in Danvers, Massachusetts, where he lives with wife Linda and six-year-old son, Derick. **FELTES,** Richard - Des Moines, Iowa is home for Richard who works as Merchandiser for Continental Grain Company. He enjoys swimming and the JC's church group. **FETTER,** Elizabeth - "Buffy" was awarded a grant for two semesters of graduate study in the National Leadership Training Program in the area of the deaf at California State University. Her home is in Northridge. **FLANNIGAN,** Timothy - Tim received his degree in Radio-Television at Southern Illinois, Carbondale, Illinois, in the summer of '74. Bachelor Tim now resides in Jessup, Maryland. **FROCK,** Barbara (Cash)-Barbara is a housewife and private flute teacher in Austin, Texas. She and her husband George have two sons, Gary and Brian.

GIVENS, Nancy (Berrie) - Married to Jim and living in Largo, Florida, Nancy is an Instructor for Pinellas County Schools. She received her B.S. in Business Education at the Big U in 1970. **GRAHAM,** M.D., C. Benjamin - "Ben" was promoted in July, 1974 to Professor of Radiology and Pediatrics at the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle. He is also Director of Pediatric Radiology at the University hospital. Ben and wife Pearl have one "typical teenager" Leslie (16). **GREENHOE,** Mary - Mary received her degree in Education at the University of Tennessee. Today she lives in Sweetwater, Tennessee where she is a church musician and a private teacher. **GROSSER,** Cheryl (Summers) - In Rose, Georgia, Cheryl is a part-time instructor in English at Floyd Junior College. She, with husband Roger, is busy taking care of their daughter, Dawn Marie. **GROTH,** Doris (Sutton) - A homemaker, mother, wife, and tax consultant, Doris is interested in family histories, church work, and is on the Kankakee County March of Dimes Board of Directors. She and husband Melvin live in Kankakee, Illinois and have one daughter, Barbara (10) and two sons, Jim (15) and Davis (5).

HALEY, Raphael - Father to Christopher, Patrick and Kathleen, husband to Carol, and Tax Accountant with Markem Corporation in Keene, New Hampshire, Bill somehow finds time to be Town Auditor/Treasurer for the local library. **HALL,** Juanita - Juanita received her Masters in Rehabilitation Counseling in 1967, and is now a Psychiatric Social Worker for the Chicago Board of Health. She is also a Psychologist for "Youth Guidance." **HANNER,** James - Jim attended Indiana State University where he received his B.A. in Social Work. He returned to the Champaign area to serve as Rehabilitation Counselor for the Illinois Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. **HOLLIMAN,** John - A '71 graduate with a B.S. in Physiology, John is now a physician at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center in Oklahoma City. **HOLMES,** Janece (Burke) - St. Paul, Minnesota is the home of Janece, husband Allen, and children Kenneth and Monette. Janece is involved in a community volunteer service organization called "Neighbors, Inc." **HUISINGA,** Dorothy - Dorothy is living in Peoria, Illinois where she works as Claims Representative for the Social Security Administration there. She enjoys traveling and reading. **HURST,** Bette Jane (Henlein) - Bette Jane can be found with hubby Thomas and their two children in sunny Orlando, Florida. She is busy not only with her job at Roberts & Gilman Real Estate Agency but also being member of the board of United Cerebral Palsy of Central Florida.

JACOBSEN, Roald - An Attorney with offices located in Pecatonica and Rockford, Illinois, Roald lives with wife Mimmi, and children Yvonne, Shirley, Tina and twins Roald and Susan in Pecatonica, Illinois. **JEFFERS,** James - As Special Assistant to the Administrator, Social and Rehabilitation Service, United States Department of HEW, Washington, D.C., Jim is quite active. He still manages to find time to pursue his hobbies of photography and reading. He, his wife Xelee, and their daughter Leslie Diann live in Bowie, Maryland. **JOHNSON,** L. Elizabeth - A student at the University of Illinois from '55 to '56, Liz now lives in DelRay Beach, Florida where she works at the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. She swims, sews, and reads in her spare time. **JOHNSON,** William K. - William, still a bachelor, is County Supervisor for Sonoma County in Healdsburg, California. As his job points out, he is interested in politics. **JOHNSON,** William L. - With a M.S. in Education, Bill is a Vocational Counselor at the Easter Seal Rehabilitation Workshop. Bill and wife Mary Etta are expecting their first child in May and their home is Riverside, California. **JONES,** Steve and Helen (Byard) - Parents to Glynnis and Siobhan, "Terry" is a Clinical Psychologist at Palo Alto Veterans Administration Hospital and Helen is a coordinator of the Disabled Students Program at DeAnza College. Interests include travel, music and theater.

KARR, Bruce - Bruce is living with wife Judy and their three children in Schaumburg, Illinois, where he is owner and President of Baron Distributors, Ltd. He enjoys wheelchair sports in his spare time. **KIRSCH,** Sue (Miller) - Presently a medical social worker in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Sue, along with hubby Jerry is busy rearing Michael at 7 and Carol at 10. **KOOPMAN,** Lynda - Last seen here in 1967 getting her M.S. in Mathematics, Lynda is now Research Mathematician at Shell Development Company in Houston, Texas. Her interests include music, photography and travel. **KRAUSE,** Janet (Marshall) - Janet has interests in music, travel and people. She and her husband, Edward, have helped several foster children and have their own adopted daughter, Nancy Lynn (9). The Krause's live in Salem, Oregon. **KROLL,** Ken and Rosie (Sebastian) - West Orange, New Jersey is home for Ken and Rosie and their two children. Ken is President of his own advertising agency, and Rosie is active in the American Association of University Women (AAUW), the League of Women Voters, and Concerned Persons for Adoption. **KRUMREY,** Donald - As Senior Computer Programmer/Analyst for the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, Donald, a bachelor, makes his home in Newport News, Virginia.

LANSPERY, Gloria - In Phoenix, Arizona, Gloria is hard at work with her job as Clerk Typist with the Arizona Department of Transportation and with fixing up her new house. **LARIMORE,** Ronald - A social studies teacher at O'Fallon Township High School in Illinois, Ronald enjoys photography, books, and the teachings of Jesus Chirst. **LEE,** Gloria (Chin) - After leaving the University of Illinois with a B.S. in Communications, Gloria now lives in Rockford, Illinois with hubby, Ben. In her spare time Gloria can be found crocheting, knitting, or with the National Paraplegia Foundation as a member. **LINDE,** Thomas - Tom, a 1961 graduate with a Ph.D., is a clinical psychologist at the Veterans Administration Hospital. With his sons, Peter and Matthew, and his wife, Ann, he lives in Knoxville, Iowa. **LINSTER,** Charles - A 1973 graduate in History, Chick and his wife Doris live in Chicago, Illinois, where he is attending John Marshall Law School. His hobbies in his off-hours are calisthenics and strategic studies. **LOTEMPIO,** Susan - Sue got her Bachelors in Journalism in '73 and went on to become a reporter for the Niagara (Falls) Gazette in New York. Ceramics, writing and travel are her interests. **LOVE,** Alan - Married to Deborah, Alan, 2nd Assistant District Attorney, heads the Welfare, Fraud and Non-Support Division in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. **LUTTIER,** Thomas - A University of Illinois graduate in Business Administration, Thomas is living with wife Betty and children Mark and Catherine in Seminole, Florida. Chess, bridge and economics are his interests.

MAIN, Penelope - Soon after graduating last year with a B.S. in Psychology, Penny took a job as a clinic coordinator at Billings Hospital Cardiology Clinic in Chicago, Illinois. Her main interests are art, sports and people. **MASON,** Conny Joe - An Assistant Professor of Speech at Quincy College in Illinois, Conny is husband to Barbara Anne, father to Michael (3) and Thomas (9 months), and Supervisor of WWQC FM radio station. **MATHENY,** Rebecca - Becky did not stop her formal education with a B.S. in Home Economics at the University of Illinois. Rather, she is now working on her Masters at the University of Michigan. **MATTHIAS,** Kenneth and Norma (McClure) - Kenneth and Norma are living with their three children in Crown Point, Indiana where Ken works for Seaburg-

Welsh Auto Supply and Norma is a secretary for Lambert Construction. **MCDOWELL,** Jerry - Jerry splits his time between his wife Ruth Ann, job as Insurance Agent and Manager of McDowell-Murvin Insurance Agency, Incorporated in Olney, Illinois, and hobbies, fishing and hunting. **MIEHER,** David and Ruth (Keller) - David is presently Production Manager for the Colonial Mortgage Company and a member of the Board of Directors of the Jackson Home Builders. Ruth is a bookkeeper for The Carriage House (a ladies dress shop). Their home is in Jackson, Mississippi. **MILLER,** Kathleen - Presently a "jobhunter," Kathy got her B.A. in Spanish Education in 1973, and enjoys creative writing in Heath, Ohio. **MITCHELL,** David - David is a mechanical engineer (Intelligence Research Specialist) in the U.S. Army Foreign Science and Technology Center. His home is in Charlottesville, Virginia where he is "single and looking!" **MOLES,** Elizabeth - A M.A. graduate in Sociology from California State University, Bette is presently the newest member of the Cypress Junior College faculty in Cypress, California where she teaches Sociology. She is also associated part-time with the Rio Hondo College in Whittier. **MORGAN,** Jerry - Jerry is currently self-employed as a consulting engineer for the Morgan Engineering Company. He resides in Clarendon Hills, Illinois with Marjorie, his wife, and their two children. **MORSE,** Saul - Saul, a 1972 law graduate, now serves as Counsel to the Minority Leader of the Illinois Senate in Springfield. His interests include government, politics and music.

NELSON, Greg - Greg is a bachelor in Fort Collins, Colorado. He is a free-lance artist - "on the road, anywhere," and enjoys reading, music and anything green. **NIEMEYER,** Katherine - Katherine is now living in Cape Coral, Florida, and is applying her Home Economics degree well as Assistant Director of Dietetics at the Fort Myers Community Hospital.

OCVIRK, Robert - A 1974 graduate with a degree in art education, Bob makes his home in Bowling Green, Ohio. **OFTEDAHL,** Laura - Living less than a mile from the Atlantic Ocean, Laura swims most mornings before going to work as Disc Jockey for WGMW radio in West Palm Beach, Florida. **ORRIS,** R. Burdette and J. Jane (Bauer) - The Orris' live in Davenport, Iowa, and both work for Iowa's employment division. When not working part-time, Jane crochets, makes quilts, and most importantly, cares for their daughter Amanda Jane. Burdette enjoys bowling, wheelchair basketball and his stereo. **OSTHOFF,** Irene - Irene is a doctor of psychology, who recently received a promotion and is now Associate Professor of Psychology at Cottey College in her home town of Nevada, Missouri. In April, she was named to the Clara Dooner Phillips Chair in Social Science.

PALESE, Russell - Living in Western Springs, Illinois, Russell is presently Cost Accountant for the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors in La Grange. **PENCE,** Michael - A '72 graduate in Mathematics, Mike is now an Applied Mathematician for the Philadelphia Water Department in Pennsylvania. Off the job, Mike can often be found monitoring Philadelphia Fire Department radio. **PIECH,** Richard - Richard, his wife Rose Ann, and their two sons are just getting settled in their new home, after their October move to Lemont, Illinois. **PIERCE,** Susan Marie - Susan is a recent graduate from the University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh with a B.S. in Library Science. She is planning to begin graduate school in May at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. She enjoys reading, traveling and creative writing. **POWELL,** Rosemary (Schnipke) - Rosemary is a clerk typist for the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation and in her spare time she knits, square dances, and helps with Barrier Free Toledo. Rosemary, along with her husband Raybourn and their two children live in Toledo, Ohio. **PRINCE,** John - John lives with wife Arlene and children Steven and Julia in Arlington Heights, Illinois. He works as Corporate Accountant for the Rust-Oleum Corporation in Evanston and is Treasurer for the Silver Knights Drum and Twirling Corporation. **PULSFUS,** Dwight - Dwight, a bachelor, is presently an Attorney at Law in his home state of Wisconsin. In his free time he enjoys sports, hunting, fishing, and reading from his home in Prairie du Sac.

RICHARDSON, Diana - Jackson Rehabilitation Center in Miami, Florida employs Diana as Director of Recreation Therapy there. She is quite qualified with her M.S. in Recreation Therapy received in 1971 at the University of Illinois. **ROBINSON,** Lynda (Stratman) - A keypunch operator at the University of Arizona, Linda enjoys picnicing in the mountains on weekends with her husband Dale. Their home is in Tucson. **ROGERS,** Ruth (Thompson) - When she is not bowling, Ruth is in Peoria, Illinois with daughter Laura Jean, or on the job as Accounting Analyst at the Caterpillar Tractor Company.

SCHER, Paul - Living with wife Ann and daughters Susan and Laura in Elmwood Park, Illinois, Paul is Rehabilitation Specialist for Sears Roebuck and Company. He enjoys sailing, model railroads, and his stereo. **SCHMALZ,** Marilyn - Marilyn is a registered occupational therapist at Rockford Memorial Hospital, having received her B.S. in Psychology in '70 and her B.S. in Occupational Therapy in '71 from the University of Puget Sound. **SCHUB,** Daniel - Daniel is presently Convention Project Coordinator for the American Medical Association in Chicago, Illinois where he lives with his wife Ruth and their children, Martin, Warner, Linda and Margaret. Daniel's interests include traveling, audiovisuals, stamps and golf. **SCHWEBEL,** Carolyn (Yashko) - Carolyn, a counselor at Central High School in Minneapolis, lives with husband John and their calico cat in St. Paul, Minnesota. **SEXTON,** Florence Elaine (Leonard) - Hubby Lee, miniature poodle "Happy" and Florence live in Fort Myers, Florida, where she works as Speech and Hearing Clinician Supervisor at the Sunland Developmental Center for Mentally Retarded. **SHERIDAN,** Charles - Charles left here in '72 with a Masters in Accounting Science, and is now Systems Analyst with the Burroughs Corporation in Southgate, Michigan. In the spring, Charles plans to take up flying. **SMITH,** Pamella - After coming home from her job as Ward Clerk at the Methodist Hospital in Peoria, Illinois, Pam enjoys raising plants and making terrariums. **SPADER,** Wayne - Besides assisting with the Chicago Sidewinders wheelchair basketball team and acting as President of Chicago Bears Den No. 1 Fan Club, Wayne is Assistant Accounts Payable Supervisor for the Martin-Brower Company. He, wife Diane, and their two children live in Calumet Park, Illinois. **SPORAR,** Alice - After receiving her teaching certification in 1971, Alice is now teaching third grade in Highland Heights, Ohio. She is also President of the Northeast Ohio Chapter of the National Paraplegic Foundation. **SPRING,** Jack - Jack is a member of the Springfield Spokejockey wheelchair basketball team, and is employed at Horace Mann Educator Corporation as Administrative Underwriter. **SPRINGE,** Fred - Villa Park, California is the scene where Fred holds down the job of Engineering Manager on the Space Shuttle Program at Rockwell International, and is husband to Arlene, and father to five children. **STAFFORD,** David - David is employed as Computer Programmer for the city of Indianapolis in Indiana. He is also involved with the National Paraplegic Foundation, photogiaphy and politics. **STANGER,** David - A very recent alumnus, Dave works in the Installment Loan Department in the Bank of LaGrange Park. Formerly a member of the Gizz Kids, Dave now competes against them on the Kankakee Kruisers, and his home is in Westchester, Illinois. **STEINMANN,** George - Tucson, Arizona is home for Geroge, wife Laure, and daughters Ivy and Holly, where George is self-employed as a public accountant. An interesting hobby of George's is bottle collecting. **STENBERG,** Charles and Kay (Wishart) - When not enjoying travel, music and reading, Chuck is an associate physicist at Argonne National Laboratory. Meanwhile, Kay busies herself substitute teaching, beginning her work on her Masters degree, and selling her art work. Hinsdale, Illinois is their hometown. **SURGI,** Carole (Hall) - Carole is a homemaker who enjoys sewing, macrame and gardening. Four children keep her and husband Charles busy in Webb City, Missouri. **SYGULLA,** Richard - Richard is an attorney for Fleming and McGrew in Watseka, Illinois but lives with wife Fran and daughter Francine in Sheldon, where he enjoys gardening.

TAGG, Leah Mae (Truxell) - Presently Office Manager in the Psychology Laboratory and student at Fullerton College in California, Leah resides in Fullerton with husband Charles and son Brian working on the Certified Professional Secretary Exam. **TAYLOR,** James - A bachelor in Elmhurst, Illinois, Jim is an accountant with Carson International at O'Hare Airport in Chicago. **TIMPSON,** Ron - Living in Sunnyvale, California, Ron is very involved in his job as Research Engineer for Lockheed Missiles and Space Company. When he has free time, his interests include bowling, pool, science, reading and people. **TORRANCE,** John - John and wife Lillian live in Chicago, Illinois where John spends a lot of time at his job as Copywriter for Frank J. Corbett, Incorporated. John and Lillian hope to be able to take time for a London vacation this coming August.

UITTO, Steven - Steve received his B.S. in Psychology in '74 and is now employed as Benefits Administ ator for the Chicago Bridge and Iron Company. He and wife JoAnne can be found in Peotone, Illinois. **UMSTED,** Carl - Carl received his B.A. in History at the University of Illinois in '72, and is now in Germany as a foreign student. Carl has found the students there to be extremely helpful and friendly.

VISTE, Ken - Ken is a neurologist in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, where he, his wife Jane, and son Kenneth live. In his spare time, Ken enjoys photography and travel. **VLIEGER,** Rod - Rod left the University of Illinois in '73 with a B.S. in Agricultural Engineering. His present occupation is Agricultural Engineer with the Iowa Department of Environment Quality in his hometown of Des Moines. **VODA,** Jerrilyn - With a M.S. in Speech Pathology and Audiology, Jerrilyn is now Director of the Department of Speech Pathology at the London Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. She is involved in professional organizations, wheelchair basketball (as a spectator) and needlepoint. **VOELKNER,** Linda Kay (Davis) - When not cross country skiing with husband John, Linda is a social worker at Kane-Kendall Mental Health Center, or busy at home in Aurora, Illinois rug-hooking and reading.

WALL, Marshall - Marshall, a '60 graduate with a M.S. in math, is now Advisory Programmer for IBM. He and wife LeVon make their home in Lexington, Kentucky with their two children, Janis and Eric. **WEBB,** Ruth - Having received her Ph.D. in '63, Ruth is a psychologist at Glenwood State Hospital in Glenwood, Iowa, where she works with 165 retarded children. Her own children are the four-footed variety - two dogs and a Siamese cat. **WEBER,** Tom - Tom left the University of Illinois in 1969 with a bachelor's degree, and is presently an attorney in Olney, Illinois where he lives with wife Jean. **WELSH,** William - William earned his master's degree in 1970. He is currently a counselor at the Maryland Rehabilitation Center in Baltimore and a counselor with a spinal cord injury project. **WHITENACK,** William - Currently a job-hunting Political Scientist, Bill plays wheelchair basketball and is involved in archery, swimming, bowling and writing at his home in Davis, California. **WHITMAN,** Charles - After receiving a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering in '62, Chuck is now Consultant for the McDonnell Automation Company. He and his wife Jerry live in St. Peters, Missouri with their two sons. **WILKIN,** Jonathan and Sharon (Hovey) - Jonathan is Associate Professor of Mathematics at the North Virginia Community College while Sharon is Rehabilitation Counselor at the Georgetown University Hospital. Both are involved in the local chapter activities of the National Paraplegia Foundation, in Vienna, Virginia. **WILLMOTT,** Gail - Gail, single and living in Detroit, Michigan, is a reading teacher at St. Martin de Porres High School. She enjoys reading and music. **WINDOM,** Sulsa - With a masters in Education, Sulsa is an Employment Interviewer with the Texas Employment Commission in Houston, Texas. Off the job, she enjoys fishing and photography. **WITKOWSKI,** Robert - A gardener, boater and fisherman in his spare time, Robert is a Landscape Field Engineer for the State of Illinois Department of Transportation. He lives with wife Marlene and daughter Suzanne Dawn in Glenwood, Illinois. **WOLFE,** Mary "Foote" - Mary "Foote" left us just last year to become a junior and senior high school math teacher at New Cambria, Missouri. She couldn't totally leave behind her interests that she developed, though. She can still be found swimming, shooting archery, driving and trying to save money for a new bow. **WOLOCHUK,** Arnold - Arnold is employed as Program Coordinator for United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Chicago. Six-year-old twins Lee and Mark as well as their 9½-year-old sister Sheryl sure keep Arnold and wife Cecille busy in their home in Morton Grove, Illinois. **WOOLEDGE,** Carol - Carol sews and crochets while being housewife, mother, and Assistant Treasurer in Cincinnati, Ohio where she lives with husband Jack and their two children, Brad and Lara.

YOUNG, Ronald - Ron is Plant Accountant for Myers Industries in Lincoln, Illinois where he lives with wife Mary K. and their three children. He is also a school board member, and involved with civic affairs.

ZIERDT, Conrad Henry III - On the job, Conrad can be found as Special Education Guidance Counselor at Lee County Head Start in Auburn, Alabama. During free time, he enjoys motorcycling, tricycling and swimming. **ZWILLING,** Eva Marie (Boudreau) - Having graduated with a degree in Business Administration in '62, Eva is now a homemaker in Indianapolis, Indiana for her husband Leo and their three children, Michael, Stephen and Teresa.

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When Jon was too small to sit up, I placed his infant carrier in a reclining stroller with a supply of diapers, powder, etc. on the footrests and was able to move him about easily as I moved from room to room.

If you have trouble lifting your child, teach him to climb up your spokes with your assistance, and thus into your lap.

My son at 6 years is very much aware of architectural barriers and when he grows up, is planning a lot of changes.

In order to have better control over the very young child, the parents may require the child to stay in the home or in his own yard more then most typical parents require.

Disabilities the parent or parents have become inconsequential if the children know that Mom and Dad **really** do love them.

If your child is not yet trained to "come" tie a long rope around his waist when you're outside with him.

Instead of romping around physically with my children, I relate to them by playing games with them and reading to them.

Don't be afraid that your physical handicap will make it more difficult to raise a child. My neighbors and I share the same basic physical problem - having enough energy to keep up with our children.

I've found that you can be your own stroller by simply putting a large belt around your waist and the child's.

You never know what you can or cannot do until you TRY.

Get involved in as many activities with your children as you can.

We tried to show them that other families have had limitations, too, just different ones from ours.

I used a lap tray to care for the infant needs and a harness which is strapped on to my chair after they could sit up.

The kids are aware of my handicap because we answer their questions simply, honestly, and openly. In a way, it is like sex education; be natural and don't make a big deal of it.

I will offer no serious advice on raising children as I now have two. (people with only one are the experts!)

Teach your child to obey instantly to keep him safe. STOP is a good start.

Our children learned at an early age than most to do things for themselves.

Looking back on rearing them, I guess I worried more about the handicap than they did.

Teach your child not to be ashamed of your handicap.

I pick up my son by grabbing around the waist with one arm and pulling myself to a sitting position with the other.

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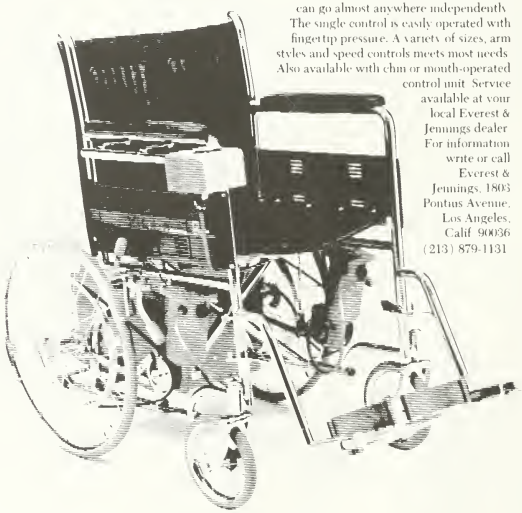

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